Increase in cases of kidnapping

2394. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been increase in the cases of kidnapping and murder in Delhi;

(b) if so, the number of persons kidnapped and murdered in Delhi during each of the last 3 years;

(c) whether Government have made any enquiry into the kidnapping of a well-known Skin Specialist, Dr. Behl from his farm clinic and Ms. Raj Kumari Jadeja from Oberoi Hotel; and

(d) if so, what are the details of the enquiry and what action Government have taken against the culprits in each case?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) and (b) The number of cases of kidnapping and murder reported and the number of persons kidnapped and murdered during the year 1991, 1992 and 1993 are as under:

Year	No. of cases reported		No. of persons	
	Kidnapping	Murder	Kidnapped	Murdered
1991	654	503	676	536
1992	714	529	732	548
1993	648	487	677	526

(c) and (d) Dr. P. N. Behl was abducted from his clinic in Village Dasna, Ghaziabad (U.P.) on 29.12.93 and a case of abduction was registered and investigation taken up by U.P. Police.

As regards abduction of Ms. Raj Kumari Jadeja, a case has been registered by C.B.I. and they are investigating the case. No arrest has been made in this case.

Implementation of Sarkaria Commission Report

2395. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFARS be pleased to state the steps taken by Government to implement the Sarkaria Commission's Report for decentralisation of power in favour of the States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): The Sarkaria Commission which went into the entire gamut of Centre-State relations submitted its recommendations on 27.10.1987. The same are under examination by a Sub-Committee of the Inter-State Council/So far six meetings of the Sub-Committee have been held and 191 recommendations out of a total of 247 such recommendations have been considered by the Sub-Committee.

Failure of Intellegence Agencies in checking ISI

2396. SHRI MOHAMMED AMIN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the unchecked liaison between Pakistan's ISI and some of the militant organisations of the country shows total failure of intelligence agencies;

(b) if so, whether Government could fixed responsibilities for this failure; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Our intelligence agencies have unearthed the designs of Pak ISI and have been instrumental in apprehension of a large number of their operatives. Several plans of Pak ISI to create disturbances in the country have been foiled due to timely action by our intelligence agencies.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Functioning of Human Rights Commission

2397. SHRI INDER KUMAR GUJRAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Human Rights Commission has started functioning with adequate infrastructure;

(b) whether it has examined some complaints regarding the infringement of human rights, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government have suggested to the State Governments for setting up similar organisations in various States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Commission has taken cognizance of some complaints regarding violation of Human Rights. The Commission has also taken cognizance of some cases *suo moto* on the basis of Press Reports. In some cases, the Commission has directed investigation by appropriate authorities. In other cases, the Commission has called for Report from the State Government concerned.

(c) There are provisions in the Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993 for setting up of State Human Rights Commission by the State Government in Sections 21 to 29. It is upto the State Government to constitute the State Human Rights Commission.

Bomb Blasts on the Eve of Indo-Pak Secretary level talks

2398. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that on the eve of recent Indo-Pakistan Secretary-level talks (commencing January 2, 1994) militants in Kashmir set off a series of bomb blasts which was associated with attempts by Pak troops to infiltrate Pak trained militants across the borders and line of control; and

(b) if so, what steps were taken by Government to deal with the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) In the days preceding the bilateral talks between India and Pakistan, the militants increased their activities in Jammu and Kashmir. Attempts were also made by the Pakistani troops to push in trained militants into our side by resorting to firing, etc. to provide cover, but due to alertness the security forces on the border/LOC have succeeded in foiling a large number of such attempts.

Vigilance and patrolling on the LOC/ border has been intensified and the arrangements in this regard are kept under constant review with the aim of checking infiltration/exfiltration.

Pak Arms in Kashmir Valley

2399. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the report in the Sunday Times of January 2, 1994, captioned "Pak inducts latest arsenal in valley"; and

(b) if so, what is Government's information and assessment about the nature, origin and extent of the arms and ammunition pumped into the valley by Pakistan and the details of the armhauls seized by